

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3-10 are currently amended.

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies and to improve readability.

Support for the amendment is found in the originally filed claims.

Upon entry of the amendment, Claims 1-11 will be active.

No new matter is believed to have been added. An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is requested.

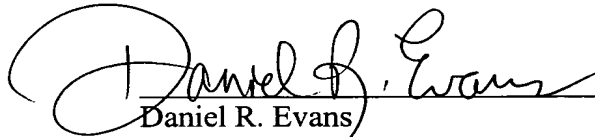
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